



MAJOR INCIDENT REPORT

A SPECIAL REPORT FROM LOS ANGELES COUNTY FIRE CHIEF P. MICHAEL FREEMAN

INCIDENT:

West Incident

TYPE OF INCIDENT:

Mutual Aid Request from Kern County Fire Department

DISTRICT/LOCATION:

Out of County Response
16650 Blackburn Canyon Road, near Tehachapi

DATE AND TIME OF OCCURRENCE:

Tuesday, July 27, 2010, 3:28 p.m.

INJURIES/FATALITIES:

None

INVESTIGATION STATUS:

The cause of this incident is still under investigation.

INCIDENT SUMMARY:

On Tuesday, at 3:28 p.m., a mutual aid request was received from the Kern County Fire Department to help fight a brush fire near Tehachapi. LACoFD deployed one helicopter, two crew strike teams (two camp crews and one superintendent), one battalion chief, one heli-tender, and two dozer strike teams (a total of four dozers and two supervisors). When firefighters arrived on scene, the fire had burned 600 acres and 30 structures were lost; by 6:30 p.m., the fire had burned between 800-900 acres and was at 10 percent containment. County Fire's helicopter and heli-tender were released last night.

Update: Early this morning, County Fire sent two additional camp crew strike teams. By 7:00 a.m. the fire has burned a total of 1,500 acres and is at 20 percent containment. Currently, all remaining County Fire resources including the crew strike teams, dozer strike teams, and battalion chief remain on scene to assist with fire attack operations.

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